

General Electric, Sears Roebuck Slash Prices in War on Inflation

CATALOG LISTS
ONE-THIRD CUT
ON SOME ITEMS

Home Appliances Affected
By GE Move; Snyder
Hails Break in Spiral

By The Associated Press
The General Electric company yesterday announced price reductions affecting many home appliances — the first break in the price spiral by a major manufacturer.

Continuing in the same vein, Sears Roebuck and company last night in Chicago announced it has mailed out a regular mid-Winter sales book listing price reductions up to 20 and 33 1/3 percent in some merchandise.

A spokesman for the big mail order house declined to predict, however, the trend of prices in Sears' regular 1948 Spring and Summer catalog, due in about ten days.

Charles E. Wilson, GE president, told a news conference that the price drop, ranging from 3 to 10 percent, is effective Jan. 1 and will affect about 40 percent of the company's total business.

Secretary of the Treasury Snyder and Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of the President's council of economic advisers, hailed General Electric's price cuts last night as an important anti-inflationary move. Both expressed the hope other producers would follow the example.

Refrigerators, ranges and home radio and television receivers, are among the General Electric products affected. No price reductions in electric light bulbs was announced.

Expressing the belief that industry must take the initiative in reversing the inflationary spiral, Wilson said "General Electric also is reducing prices of component parts, which it supplies to other appliance manufacturers."

Declaring that the price cuts represent a savings of \$50,000,000 annually at the consumers' level, Wilson added:

"It is not done to stimulate business. These reductions come at the time of the company's greatest demand for the goods involved. We could sell in many lines twice what we can produce and it should be so for many months."

The 269-page Sears sales book called the mid-Winter sale "one of the greatest money saving events

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New County Officers
To Be Sworn In at
Ceremony Monday

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 30 — Newly-elected Montgomery county officials will be inducted into office next Monday at exercises scheduled for 11 a. m. in Courtroom B at the courthouse.

President Judge Harold G. Knight, of the Common Pleas court, will administer the oath of office after he has been sworn for another year term by Judge William F. Dannehower.

Following the exercises, each of the new officials will be given a framed certificate to hang on the wall of his office.

All but two of the new officers are incumbents. The newcomers are E. Arnold Forrest, of Conshohocken, district attorney, and Samuel H. Wilson, of Abington, treasurer.

The others are:

President Judge J. Burnett Holloman of Upper Merion, Orphans court; County Commissioners Fred C. Peters, Ardmore; Foster C. Hillegass, Pennsington, and Raymond K. Mensch, Gilbertsville; Sheriff Samuel M. Glass, Whitemarsh; Clerk of Court Louis V. Dorr, East Norriton; Coroner W. J. Rushong, Norriton; Recorder of Deeds John H. Marshall, Cheltenham; Register of Wills Mary H. Becker, Norriton; Controller John A. Lafore, Lower Merion, and Surveyor Eliebert H. Metz, Lansdale.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy and not so cold today. Tomorrow mostly cloudy and slightly colder followed by some rain or sleet.

34 Mercury 16
High Antics Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m. 20 4 p. m. 34
5 a. m. 21 5 p. m. 33
6 a. m. 18 6 p. m. 32
7 a. m. 17 7 p. m. 31
8 a. m. 16 8 p. m. 31
9 a. m. 19 9 p. m. 31
10 a. m. 19 10 p. m. 31
11 a. m. 20 11 p. m. 31
12 p. m. 24 12 p. m. 31
1 p. m. 29 1 a. m. 31
2 p. m. 32 2 a. m. 31
3 p. m. 32 3 a. m. 31
4 p. m. 32 4 a. m. 31

Open New Year's Day. Catherine and Raymond Shenk, Swamp Hotel, Free Hoedown, and Modern Dancing Fri. night at 8—Freeze Market.

Chamber of Commerce Members please vote by Friday, Jan. 2.

Young Locks Farm For Sale

Laurel Locks Farms. Phone 427-3.

Levengood's Cup, Charlotte and Prospect. Ice Cream. Frozen Foods.

Notice—Ice skating at Pruss Hill dam. Refreshments.

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Two Local Hospitals, YMCA and YWCA Get \$1000 Bequests in Will of Feed Merchant

By Staff Correspondent

NORRISTOWN Dec. 30.—The Pottstown and Memorial hospitals, the YMCA and the YWCA are among the beneficiaries in the will of Harvey Barlow, Lower Pottstown grain and feed merchant who died Sept. 15, 1946, an accounting in Orphans' Court by Judge J. Burnett Holland showed today.

One thousand dollars was left to each of the institutions as well as to the Pottstown First Presbyterian Church and to Stichter Lodge 254, F and AM.

Mr Barlow willed \$73,769.54, and other bequests included: Pleasant View hotel, Sanatoga to William F. Hippel, of Sanatoga, a property at Franklin and Chestnut streets, to Elington B. Heck, 79 North Franklin street.

To his son-in-law S. Raymond Schealer, the grain and feed merchant willed \$10,000, Limeick cemetery company, \$500, Ella J. Schealer, and Robert B. Schealer, \$1000 each in trust. Dr. William B. Mensch, \$4,000 and \$1000 each to the Rev. Nelson F. Schmidt, of Schwenksville; John J. Kesseler of Sanatoga, and Calvin Rhoads Elizabeth T. Nichols Bechtel Martha W. Binde Bessie Kast, Ada Heck, and the Masonic Home at Elizabeth-

The balance of \$42,769.54 was given to S. Raymond Schealer.

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they reserved \$6000 for the payment of taxes.

Seventeen nephews and nieces share the major portion of the estate of Charles C. Hillegass, East Greenville, who died last April 15, according to an adjudication by Judge Holland.

Balances for distribution include: Principal—personality, \$10,500.70; principal—realty, \$6657.42; income—personality, \$41.32.

After a bequest of \$50 is made to New Goshenhoppen Cemetery, Upper Hanover township, for the care of his grave, the balance is to be divided equally among J. Edward Sell, Ralph G. Sell, Warren G. Sell, Frederick P. Sell, Marvin J. Hallman, Kenneth H. Hallman, Claude R. Hallman, Allen H. Hallman, Catherine Hallman Ritter, Florence Hillegass Radcliff, Charles H. Hillegass, William A. Hillegass, Edward F. Hillegass, Esther Hillegass Garges, Ella Hillegass Kratz, Irvin Hillegass, John G. Hillegass.

Adjudications in other estates included:

In the estate of Patrick J. Fogarty, Lampert, who died last Mar. 10, balance of \$103,818 was divided one-half each to brothers, Michael and Owen Fogarty.

Alarm Box Installed At Pottstown Hospital

Fire Alarm Box 22 has been installed at Pottstown hospital by Borough Electrician William H. Price. The box was reported in service to the local fire companies at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Collapsed Bridges Hit River Traffic

FRANKFURT, Germany Dec. 30 (AP)—Collapsed bridges tied up traffic today on flood-swollen German rivers. International cable communications were delayed by an inundation at Saarbruecken.

It was estimated that southbound Rhine river traffic would be blocked for three days.

The Neckar bridge near Heidelberg in the American zone was washed away and officials said traffic would be blocked for a week.

Main toll cables were out of service at Saarbruecken, where the Neckar rose seven feet during the night to a 30-foot level. More than four feet of water was reported in the telephone exchange building.

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Douglas who likes to be called a westerner although he spent much of his law teaching days in the East, has been mentioned as a possible running mate for President Truman next year.

Some elements in the Democratic party are expected to boom him stronger than ever, now that Henry Wallace has come out to head an independent presidential ticket in 1948. They describe Douglas as a progressive and express belief his nomination would help offset the effects of Wallace's poll.

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Douglas praised him as one who

"brought the brightest honor to the democratic ideal."

Concerning aid to foreign nations, Douglas said:

"We must not manage this great crisis of democracy as if it were an auction—as if the peoples of the world were on the block and going to the highest bidder."

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*Friendship improves happiness, and
abates misery, by doubling our joy,
and dividing our grief.—Adison.*

Fuel Oil Supplies

IT'S rather ironic that you can live within the
shadows of big oil refineries, and still be
short on oil to heat your home or run your
factory.

Pottstown is in just that situation. Re-
fineries are in our backyard, and they are
working at capacity. But they are unable to
produce enough oil to meet the demand. And
this despite the fact that companies have
made substantial additions to their facilities
since the end of the war.

Plain fact is, more oil is being used by
more persons than ever before. In talks with
oil distributors and refiners, one factor is
mentioned time and again which seems to be
the one, big reason for the unprecedented
demand for fuel oil. It is simply this:

Home owners are switching from coal to oil.
The oil refiners are being asked to provide
fuel formerly provided by the coal mines.

People are tired of being pawns in the game
being played by John L. Lewis. They are tired of
taking out the ashes, and they have the
money to finance oil burner installations.

Established oil burner distributors tell us
they have made no new installations for the
past two to three months, anticipating the
fuel oil shortage and realizing that they could
not provide fuel for the new installations.

We are told, however, that oil burners still
are being sold by plumbers and others who
have no fuel oil resources. Home owners who
install burners without first making arrangements
for fuel oil are finding themselves in
difficulty.

According to refinery executives, the fuel
oil supply situation is going to get worse be-
fore it gets better. Which means oil users
must conserve their supplies the rest of the
Winter or face old times. There simply isn't
enough fuel oil to go around.

Economic Absurdity

THE worst of all illusions is that we can
have "a little" price control.

"Selective rationing, selectively price control,
is an economic absurdity," writes William
Henry Chamberlain, one of the country's most
distinguished historians. "It can only aggra-
vate the disease it is supposed to cure . . . It
is a positive and serious deterrent to the
production of the article in demand."

"Who will produce at a fixed, lower-than-
the-market price when he can shift to some
commodity that is not controlled and that
will probably be rising in value still more
steeply because the purchasing power that is
damned up by the rationed, fixed-price com-
modified will be eagerly spilling over into
fields that are not controlled?"

Price inflation was not the result of the
abandonment of price fixing.

It was, to the contrary, the inevitable re-
sult of many forces—wages, purchasing power,
government spending, the huge public debt,
currency in circulation, and so on. Had OPA
been continued, production would have lagged,
the economic machine would have been
thrown out of balance, and the black market,
which had reached scandalous proportions
during and after the war, would have been
the only real market.

Competition establishes the price which is
the right price in the light of conditions.
It begins at the factory, with dozens of
manufacturers working to expand their
markets. It ends at the retail stores when
chains, independents, specialty shops and all
other kinds of distributors are trying to give
the public a lower price, better service, higher
quality or some other inducement which will
bring in the customers. This is the only
system which makes for abundance and pro-
tects the free market.

The Tie That Brightens

THE question of what to do with Christmas
ties is as much as the question of what to do
with old razor blades. A San Francisco
haberdasher now thinks he has solved it. He
has opened an exchange at which men may
turn in unwanted Christmas ties as a credit
on the purchase of ties they do want.

Superficially, this sounds humane. Funda-
mentally, though, it is merely going to take
some heat off the timid male that ought to
be on. Most men have to be prodded to wear
any tie brighter than a discouraged brown.
A spot of green, a fleck of red, a dash of
purple, and they drop a tie as if it were a hot
potato.

The Christmas tie is a goad to overcoming
their timidity toward bright colors. The re-
cipient, if he is really timid about wearing
ties, is also timid about wasting gifts and
offending donors.

The useful trick is to make him more timid
about not wearing it than he is about wear-
ing it. As long as there are lives that need
brightening up—a dab of fresh paint here, a
bit of spit-and-polish there—there is only
one thing to do with Christmas ties. Wear 'em.

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS,
December 30.

Editor, The Mercury:
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:
Wal, I see by the papers where New Year's
Eve won't find many of the Pottstown drink-
ing places full. But many
a customer will be!

The Russians used to
boast that with them it
was all for one and one
for all. Since the rubles
deal it's just ten for one
period.

And say: Some of the
local gals don't seem to be
satisfied, even though they
said they were dreaming of
a white Christmas. What
their thoughts were on were ermine wraps!

Hopin' you air the same.

GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY



Parents, Take Time To Examine Books

VOTE-GETTING EYED IN TRUMAN'S MOVES

By RAY TUCKER

LETTERS must not be more than 350 words long, of current topics and must not involve personalities. Writers must not be named. Letters will be held as evidence of good faith but they will be withheld from publication on request. It is a criminal offense to sign another person's name. Poetry, and communications advocating the election of political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

Today's Literature a Sin
To the Editor: G. M. W.'s letter ("Modern Novels No Boon to Civilization," Readers Say, Dec. 29) hit the nail on the head. Such filthy literature is being sold these days is a sin. No wonder we have such conditions as described in The Mercury's "Advice to the Lovelorn" of Dec. 24.

Parents, wake up. Get rid of such poor reading for our children. Take time to see just what you children read. A few weeks ago my niece and I went to Philadelphia. While in one of the large stores, we came to the book department. My niece knows I am fond of reading. I selected two books. I started to read one. Such a filthy book I never looked in before. I read a few pages and then cast it aside and started on the other one. That was even worse!

If only the money spent could have been given to a worthy cause, how much better we would feel!

I am indeed glad The Mercury does stand up for the good of the community.

Here's a wish for better reading matter for our children.

Spring City RD READER

Question for Vandenberg

To the Editor: My idea of a \$64 question for Senator Vandenberg and others to answer, would be to tell us how long was the rope we used in making the last gift loan to the British, and wouldn't all concerned have been better off if we had reduced it by about 99-9/10 percent?

Or in other words, isn't the solution of several of those troubled countries much more within their own power than he and others try to make us believe it is?

Pottstown C. D. R.

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

FLORA B. 26, is an expectant mother.

"Dr. Crane, my husband and I are so happy about it," Flora glowed with pride. "But we want to do everything possible to make sure our baby will be as healthy and intelligent as possible.

"But I'm worried. I've had a great hunger for tomatoes during my pregnancy. Some of the neighbor women have made me nervous by saying my baby will probably be marked with a tomato splotch on its skin.

"Is it true that a mother's desires and appetites will mark her baby, as with a strawberry, or a tomato? I was also frightened by seeing a house on fire. Will that rear make my baby nervous?"

"And if I were to play the piano or read poetry or think about good things, would it help my baby to be refined and religious?"

Flora's commendable desire to help her baby is typical of unselfish motherhood. She can feel greatly relieved, therefore, to learn that a great longing for tomatoes will not mark the baby's skin.

Mothers do not "mark" their babies, either by their appetites for foods or by their fears and other attitudes.

"But then how do you explain birth-
marks?" somebody may inquire.

Birthmarks are usually a result of minor skin defects in which the vessels are dilated, thereby carrying more blood to the skin. Thus, the area looks red. Sometimes, moreover, it is pigmented, and will appear bluish or brown.

These skin defects, however, have nothing to do with the mother's views or ideas. They develop as congenital artefacts. Indeed, the baby has no nerves at all connecting it with the mother. It is an entirely separate human being in its nervous system, organs and blood vessels, even while in its mother's womb.

Thus, the baby's heart beats almost twice as fast as its mother's, ranging from about 120 to 165 beats per minute. Moreover, its blood does not mix with the mother's.

The baby is thus much like a wood tick on a dog or sheep. You know very well that the tick is not influenced by the dog's thoughts, for the dog is simply its food supply.

Within a few moments to possibly a few hours after conception, the sex of the baby is determined. Thereafter it lives its own life, although for nine months it is housed inside the mother's womb.

By osmosis, liquids filter through from mother to baby and vice versa. Thus, it procures its food and oxygen from the mother, and sends back into her blood the waste products, such as carbon dioxide.

If the mother is frightened, the baby never knows it, for there is no nervous connection between them. If she stabs herself with a needle, she jumps, but the baby feels no pain for the umbilical cord has no nerves in it.

A baby may catch a disease before birth if its mother has an attack, for germs are so much smaller than blood corpuscles that they can slip through the blood vessel walls into the baby's circulation.

Consequently, a baby may contract syphilis or measles, chicken pox and other diseases before birth if its mother has them. Moreover, immunity of the mother to certain diseases may likewise be passed on to the child.

But these are not inherited! They are "acquired" simply by contact while the baby is living within its mother. A syphilitic father, for example, cannot get a syphilitic baby if the mother is not infected.

Unfortunately for Flora, moreover, her playing the piano and reading of poetry or the Bible during pregnancy, will not make her unborn child poetical, musical or religious, but we recommend such wholesome diversions for the comfort of the mother.

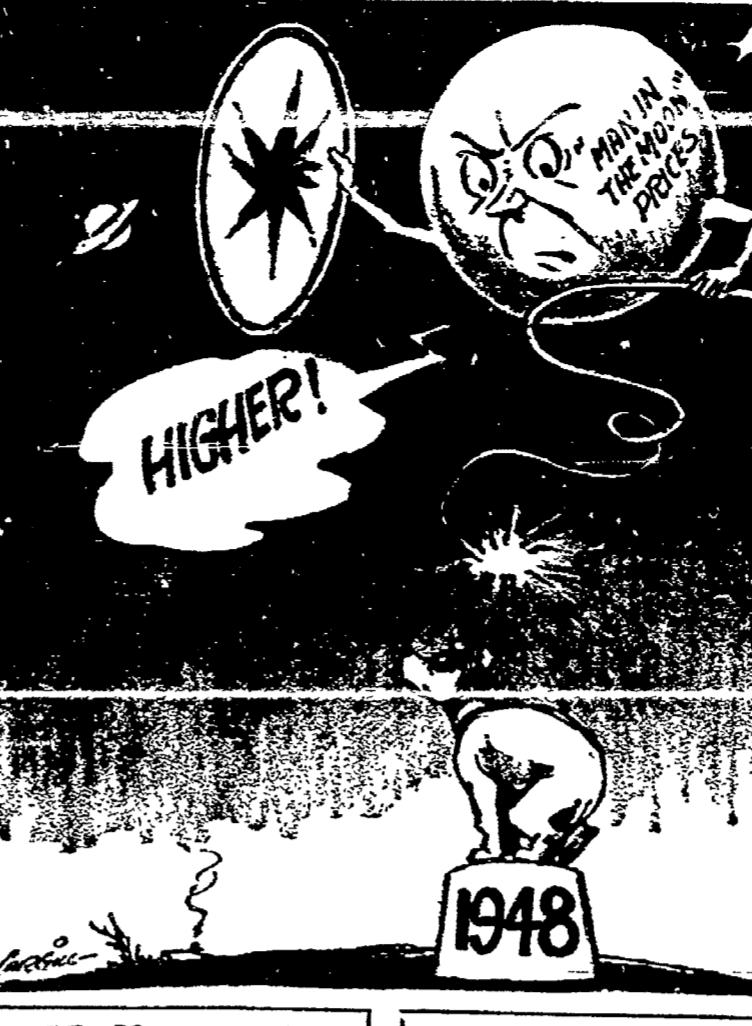
And after the baby is born, they are excellent aids to its cultural and moral growth, so you expectant mothers might well teach yourselves these good habits before your baby arrives.

Send for my medico-psychological bulletin "Facts About Pregnancy," enclosing a 3-cent stamped envelope, plus a dime.

Give a copy to every expectant mother in your circle of friends or relatives, for it will clear up many erroneous notions that cause undue worry to young women.

WASHINGTON

LEAP YEAR



In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

December 31, 1897

SERIOUSLY BURNED—Annie Smith, daughter of John Smith, 847 Queen street, suffered serious burns about the body when her clothing caught fire while she was thawing out frozen pipes in the basement of her home.

RAILROADER INJURED—John Burkett, of Reading, flagman on a Reading railway freight train, was injured when two engines crashed at Linfield. He jumped from an engine and suffered fractures of a leg and arm.

BARN BURNS—The barn on the Nelt farm situated near Unionville was destroyed by fire when a lantern exploded. A horse, cow and carriage were destroyed. Loss was \$1000. The farm was tenanted by George Marquette.

HOLIDAY FOX HUNT—The Bellwood Hunt, Sumner Smith, master of the hounds, held a fox hunt in the Mill Creek valley yesterday. The fox holed.

25 Years Ago

December 31, 1922

WANT ALLEY PAVED—A petition from Second ward citizens asking borough council to pave Lesser alley, between Penn and Charlotte streets, has been presented by William E. Harbold, of 244 Chestnut street.

BANNER BUILDING YEAR—The year 1922 is a banner year for building as 324 permits were taken out at borough hall. Most of the building was done by Pierce Grimley, William D. Hertzog, Raymond Hartenshine and Herbert Kurtz.

BOROUGH OF HEALTH GOOD—According to the report made to the board of health by Health Officer Clymer Missimer, only four homes were placarded during the month. There were two cases of measles, and one each of chicken pox and scarlet fever.

PASTOR HONORED—Rev. A. M. Dixon, who has completed seven years as pastor of the Parkerford Brethren church, was honored last night at a dinner held by members of his congregation.

10 Years Ago

December 31, 1937

BROADCAST GREETINGS—New Year's greetings were broadcast from the tower of the Philadelphia Fire company's building. Addresses were made by George J. Evans, the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, Clymer Missimer and others.

HOLIDAY WEDDING—Miss Elsie Mary Weiser, of 225 North Reading avenue, Boyertown, was married to David E. Cowell, of Glenside, in St. John's Lutheran church, Boyertown, by the pastor, the Rev. D. F. Longacre.

DEMOCRATS ELECT—Following were elected officers of the Pottstown Democratic club: A. B. Scheffey, president; James A. Kelley, vice president; Leonard Hiltzine, recording secretary; Thomas L. Rutter, treasurer, and Lamar Missimer, financial secretary.

FORECAST—High street businessmen, who subscribe to "Women's Wear," trade journal of merchandisers, are scanning the "fashion significance" for 1948. In sketches, the magazine shows the 1947 designs and over them in blacker lines are sketched the new trends. You might be interested to know that the silhouette is still a long-skirted one. Skirts are 13 inches from the floor, which puts them about an inch shorter than the extremes of early autumn. Skirts that were voluminously wide and circular are considerably reduced in width but are still full. Shoulders will be round-padded and narrower than they were in the fall. In other words, waists will be small but not squeezed in; skirts will be wide but not flapping, and skirts will be long but not ankle-deep. Are you happy?

PROSPECT—That New Home planned for 1948 may still be dogged by material bottlenecks with the lumber shortage scheduled as the biggest headache . . . There's a new composition flooring that's stain, scar and flame-resistant. Tests were made with such items as foods, beverages, medicines, cosmetics, cleaning fluids and other items, usually found in the home, with no damaging results in evidence. The flooring has the resilience of rubber but has longer wearing qualities. Be wonderful for those fathers who bought their youngsters chemistry sets for Christmas.

SPORTS DEPT.—Gamblers are giving 16 points to Michigan in the Rose Bowl game of Southern California tomorrow . . . Tobogganing for adults is one of the most dangerous of all sports and should be done with extreme caution if at all. When adults sit on a toboggan, they sit on the end of their spines with their legs usually wrapped around the position in front. Go over a bump in that position and it frequently results in a fracture or a misplacement. Many of them can't be mended or fixed. Thought you ought to know.

HELEN HAYES would be the first to take you back to the years when as a youngster she thrilled theatre audiences in "Coquette" of the late twenties. Now she's coveting to packed houses for over a year as the mousy librarian in "Happy Birthday." Bert Lahr, who through the years has made you laugh and laugh, has put enough laugh into an old re-tell like "Burlesque" to keep it running on.

In our current shows the biggest attractions are the stars who have been packing them in year after year. Tried and true performers who see a New Year as another season of activity in another show. The top musical hit on Broadway, "Annie Get Your Gun," has as its composer Irving Berlin, a man who has been making the hit parade for over 30 years. Its star is Ethel Merman, who's proud of the growth of her stardom since she sang "I Got Rhythm" back in the early thirties.

Heaven Hayes would be the first to bring you back to the years when as a youngster she thrilled theatre audiences in "Coquette" of the late twenties. Now she's coveting to packed houses for over a year as the mousy librarian in "Happy Birthday." Bert Lahr, who through the years has made you laugh and laugh, has put enough laugh

NEWS OF 1947—

(Continued From Page One)

WILLIE E. Mensch, 352 Oak street, and his wife Jenny and killed him in a revolver and the Pottstown Welding company's Plant 2 to a charred shell. Ten days another mantle studded the

Three men, later caught and convicted, spirited \$8000 of loot from the Levitz Jewelry store on Washington's Birthday and merchants took up the cry for more police protection.

On St. Patrick's Day, Mar. 17, school children who probably hoped to carry their good-luck rocks, were caught lightly by a police dog. His path of glory led the dog catcher.

Then on Mar. 18, \$25,000 worth of "hot" items belonging to Harry Pollock, buried.

As Spring began to transform a cold world, Homeopathic hospital changed its name to Memorial.

Not Coventry residents on Apr. 3, 1947, for one got a new man to replace John J. Boyle who had retired.

Two days later, a day before Easter Spring was officially heralded by the annual prodigal return of the blue martins to the home of Flora B. Leighton, 54 Chestnut street.

While 1200 children trampled each other to find eggs the day after Easter in Manatawny park, Wentzel went on trial for his life in Norristown. After four days of trial he was convicted of second degree murder but later was freed on \$25,000 bail first action of its kind in Pennsylvania legal history.

Animals hit print as April bended into May when the first of three circuses reached town April 29, and two dogs massacred 300 chickens of a Limerick farmer the next day.

Then, six days later, Super-monk broke jail and escaped from Sunset park. Few will forget the two-day chase which ended in his capture on VE day as the mercury shot to a violent low record of 34.

Good news keynoted the story of a little girl as "Snookie" Stranick, Gilbertsville's 4-year-old nephrosis sufferer, came home on May 19 from a Reading hospital after almost two years away.

Crystallizing public sentiment which had been fomenting for months, Burgess William A. Griffith began naming his citizens

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650 Persons Attend Annual Banquet of Auto Body Works

About 650 persons, including the management, employees, and families of Boyertown Auto Body Works, Inc., and Boyertown Body and Equipment company attended the 22nd annual banquet held at Sunbrook ballroom, Pottstown, the past Monday night. Included were employees and their families and the Philadelphia and West Pittston branches.

Paul R. Hafer, president of the firm, predicted increased production in the future, stating that a new plant would be erected. "Things look great for '48," he predicted, borrowing the slogan from the company's newspaper, "The Busy Body," a copy of which was distributed to all who attended the banquet.

Highlight of the banquet was distribution of bonuses to all employees by B. Frank Hafer, secretary and treasurer. He spoke briefly to the group, explaining the United States Treasury department's payroll savings plan which the Treasury had asked him to introduce to the body workers. He expressed the firm's desire to co-operate with the government and with those who wish to purchase savings bonds regularly. He then announced the annual bonus and began its distribution.

The Rev. Dr. Harold F. Hafer, pastor of Faith church, Evangelical and Reformed, Lancaster, a director of the firm, spoke on "The Christmas Gift." Lloyd B. Fritz, of the main office of the firm in Boyertown, gave the invocation. Both Paul R. Hafer and B. Frank Hafer paid tribute to the late Morris F. Gilbert, of Boyertown, who had been associated with the Boyertown Carriage works and its successors, Boyertown Auto Body Works, Inc., for the past 60 years. Colored pictures, taken during recent years and showing Gilbert in his floral gardens, were shown to the group.

A turkey dinner was served to the body workers and their guests. Dinner music was furnished by Harold A. Dorwin of Reading, and his orchestra. Dorwin also led the singing of Christmas carols, accompanied by the orchestra. Ruth Carr, of Reading, soloist during the past season in the operetta, "The Merry Widow," sang several vocal numbers. In addition to the bonus, all employees received gifts from the firm, as did the ladies and children present.

The banquet climaxed the company's observance of its 75th anniversary. Other affairs were held during the past year to mark the progress of the firm, which originated in 1872.

HEARING DATE EXTENDED
The time for hearing the petition of Paul Kleinhehn for a private detective's license was extended from Tuesday, Jan. 6, to Monday, Jan. 12, as the result of an order signed by Judge Forrest R. Shammam. Attorney is Mark C. McQuillen.

Boyertown Classified

In Memoriam
REPORT—In memory of a dear son David L. Schaeffer, entered into Rest, December 31, 1943. Aged 1 year, 1 month, 2 days. They said time stands a broken heart. But time stands a broken heart. For four years dear David. My heart has ached for you. (Never to be forgotten) Mother—Mrs. ROGER HOFFMAN

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Armed Guard at Canada's Atomic Energy Plant



Security of Canada's atomic energy plant at Chalk River, Ont., is maintained by an armed guard who stands outside the wire surrounding the buildings. The \$20,000,000 project, directed by the National Research council, is opening new vistas in the realm of physical, chemical and biological research. Inside the plant, hundreds of tons of lead and concrete shield the controlled slow-motion atomic explosion which produces only a small amount of radioactive materials which cannot be converted for military use.

Plants Complete Gifts of Bonuses As Yule Presents

Boyertown industrial firms have completed distribution of bonus payments, Christmas gifts, and checks in recognition of service to employees at social affairs, parties, and dinners held by firms.

Lloyd L. Wagner, president of Superior Underwear Mills, Boyertown, distributed approximately \$5000 in bonus payments to employees for a three-year term. Incumbents were Reifnyder, Benfield, Moyer, and Sands.

Voting was high, with 187 ballots cast. The polls were open to members in the firehouse the past Monday from 12 o'clock noon to 8 p. m.

At the meeting which followed the election, the company voted \$100 to the Community Chest drive.

Forty-eight new members were admitted, bringing total membership to 2346. Ninety-two applications were received. Thirteen men were admitted to the company death fund.

Arlene Custer to Wed William R. Moyer

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Custer, 17 South Washington street, Boyertown, announced the engagement of their daughter, Arlene LaRue Custer, to William R. Moyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Moyer, of New Berlinville, on Christmas Day.

Miss Custer is a graduate of Boyertown High school, class of 1944. In high school, she served as class secretary in both her sophomore and junior years. She was also secretary of Tri-Hi-Y club and a member of Girls Athletic association. Since her graduation, she has been employed as secretary to High School Principal Lawrence E. Grimes.

Mr. Moyer is a graduate of Boyertown High school, class of 1940. While there, he played basketball for three years. He is in the Army for three and one-half years, of which two and one-half years were spent overseas in Europe. He is now employed at Spice Manufacturing company, Pottstown.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Sledding Party Held By Luther League

The Luther league of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church held a sledding party the past Monday night at the bungalow home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther H. Schmoyer, near Boyertown borough impounding dam. About 2 were present. Coasters brought box lunches and Mr. and Mrs. Schmoyer served hot chocolate to the group.

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10,000 Persons Attend Industrial Show; 3-Day Exhibition Is Titled a Success

An estimated 10,000 persons from Boyertown and vicinity and distant points visited Boyertown's industrial "Spotlight" show which came to a conclusion at 10 o'clock last night.

Feeling in the community was that the show was a tremendous success. People questioned about its value summed it up by saying that for a town the size of Boyertown, the exhibition was amazing.

Added to the attractions yesterday were several motion pictures which arrived and were shown for the first time. Included was a film on shoe manufacturing sponsored by a shoe company located at the corner of Philadelphia and Reading avenues.

The viewers at the exhibition were amazed to find the amount of dust and dirt in the air as demonstrated by the Union Manufacturing company which had one of its air filters at the show.

Boyertown Auto Body Works, Inc., displayed its latest type merchandise truck in front of the entrance to the high school gymnasium, main entrance to the show.

A previously unannounced but interesting exhibit was that of Boyertown Community ambulance which had its iron lung, resuscitator and its litter on which patients are carried.

Gilbertsville Scouts Admit 3 New Members

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Rudolf Abrams, manager of the Great American Knitting Mills, Boyertown and Bally, presented each employee with a \$50 United States Savings bond at a dinner held in the Washington house. About 230 persons attended. Men present were given pen and pencil sets while women received crystalware.

The management of Penn Valley Knitting Mills, South Reading avenue, entertained employees at a turkey dinner at Gresham hotel. Each employee received a cash gift. Gifts were exchanged among employees.

Employees of Campbell and Helrich Knitting Mill were given their annual bonus at the plant where a party was held. A luncheon was served and gifts exchanged. Ernest Knitting Mill, Boyertown, awarded \$5 a year for each employee with the firm as their annual Christmas bonus at a party held in the plant. Lunch was served.

Eighty employees of Amity Manufacturing company were presented with candy and a turkey banquet held at the Orioles home. A musical program and dancing followed the dinner.

Gifts were distributed to employees of Fashion Hosiery Mills, Inc., Montgomery avenue, at a dinner held in Boyertown Inn. A turkey dinner was served and a show presented. Union Manufacturing company employees received a cash gift representing the number of years worked for the firm.

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Mrs. Samuel R. Knouse is pro-

gram chairman for the event.

Hostesses are Mrs. Paul R. Hafer and Faye Unger. Reservations are being received by Mrs. Earl H. Walt, 418 East Fourth street.

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BOYERTOWN — PHONE 65

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Welfare Society Sends Its Thanks To Business Girls

A "Thank You" letter was received Monday night by members of the Pottstown Business Girls association of the YWCA from the Pottstown Welfare society.

The letter thanked them for the Christmas baskets, money and Christmas trees they donated during the holidays.

Mrs. Mildred Myers, president, presided over the meeting.

Miss Doris Jane Danko, who is spending the winter in Maine, sent the group a Christmas greeting which was read at the meeting.

Mr. Norman Leblanc provided entertainment by performing magic tricks. Group singing was led by Mrs. Sarah Brockway and refreshments were served by Mrs. Grace Pader, Mrs. Emily Zern, Miss Edith Moser, Mrs. Dorothy Trolling, Miss Nellie Koury, Miss Ann Barna, Mrs. Sarah Brockway, Mrs. Pearl Houck and Mrs. Lillian Skiles, members of the gift and floral committee. Mrs. Rader was also in charge of the entertainment.

The next meeting will be held in the form of a white elephant sale on Jan. 12. All members are asked to bring a small gift for no less than 50 cents. The ways and means committee, Mrs. Ethel Wentzel, chairman, will be in charge of the sale.

Miss Ruth I. Blattner Weds in Philadelphia

Miss Ruth I. Blattner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Simons, 954 Queen street, recently became the bride of Mr. George C. Myers, son of Mrs. Mary Myers, Birdsboro, in the Reformed church of Philadelphia.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. William G. Weiss, pastor.

Miss Blattner wore a grey crepe dress with brown accessories and a corsage of white roses.

Her only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Simons, of Philadelphia.

The couple left for a ten-day honeymoon trip to New York City. For traveling the bride chose an aqua wool dress.

Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Myers will reside at the home of the bride.

HOSPITALS

POTTSWELL

Admitted: Mrs. Ruth Hodell, Limerick, maternity; Mrs. Jennie Quinter, 322 Cherry street, maternity; Mrs. Ruth Flizz, Pottstown RD 4, maternity; Robert Lamb, Prospect avenue, surgical; Grant Wissner, Royersford, surgical; Rose Nester, 641 North Evans street, medical; Anna Swoyer, Stowe, surgical; Frank Hoffman, 404 Jefferson avenue, medical; Marie Detweller, 8 East Sixth street, surgical; Anna Swoyer, Pottstown RD 2, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Dorothy Campbell, 115 High street, maternity; Mrs. June Shuler, 107 King street, maternity; Mrs. Florence Latshaw, Bechtelsville, maternity; Orpha Smale, 329 South Hanover street, medical; Geraldine Guthrie, 625 Walnut street, surgical; Irma Fryer, 130 Chestnut street, surgical; Pearl Confer, 1157 South street, medical; Sally Heidenlein, Royersford, surgical; William Strong, 456 North Hanover street, surgical; Yvonne Palmer, The Hill school, surgical; David Ludwig, 74 Spruce street, medical; Anthony Yuko, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Minnie Reeser, West Chester, surgical.

MEMORIAL

Admitted: Patricia Tighe, 529 Chestnut street, surgical; Barbara Selby, Sanatoga, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Frances Grim, Pottstown RD 1, maternity.

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THE day is good for joint money, payments, loans, also another's possessions and money. Today a child will be exceptionally clever and go far in life, recognition and good fortune will be yours. Excessive zeal may cause heart strain, however, so should be avoided.

Today

Frederick Heinly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin W. Heinly, Gilbertsville RD 1.

Peggy Schaefer, daughter of Mr. Floyd Schaefer, Pine Forge.

Marilyn Weyner, daughter of Mrs. Shirley Weyner, Franklin apartments.

Robert E. Weidensaul, Hanover Heights.

Gloria Helen Buchanan, 63 North Charlotte street.

Janet Levan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Levan, Pottstown RD 3.

Fay Gennaria, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gennaria, Pottstown RD 4.

Donald Serafini, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Serafini, 168 Rohland street.

Alan Botto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Attilio Botto, 915 Queen street.

Patricia Ann Saylor, 178 Rohland street, aged four years.

Frank Eugene Barton, 554 High street, aged 15 years.

Harry Bertatia Weds

Miss Doris Kappenstein

Miss Doris Kappenstein, daughter of Mrs. Esther Kappenstein, Boyertown RD 2, became the recent bride of Mr. Harry T. Bertatia, son of Mr. Sigmund Bertatia, 204 Elm street, South Pottstown, in the St. Peter's Lutheran church, Chester Springs.

The Rev. R. H. Casner and the Rev. Floyd Van Valkenburg performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Miss Janet Scheetz, sister of the bride, was maid of honor while Miss Florence Scheetz, Miss Jane Garner, Miss Ruth Pollock, Miss Marion Riegel and Mrs. Kenneth Blair acted as bridesmaids.

Duties of best man were performed by Mr. William Stepp, Pottsville, and ushers were Donald Haldeman, Bayard Hoffman, Newton Evans, Oliver Masteller and Robert Breivenger.

Miss Scheetz was graduated from West Chester High school and also from Linden Hall, in Litzitz. She is now a member of the staff of the George school. Mr. Haldeman graduated from West Chester High school and Philadelphia Technicians school. He is employed at the Firestone Rubber company.

All were dressed in white taffeta gowns featuring sweetheart necklines, three-quarter length sleeves and full skirts. Their shoulder length veils fell from a crown of seed pearls, and they carried old fashioned bouquets of red roses.

Beatrice Myers was the flower girl. Duties of best man were performed by Mr. James Bertatia, brother of the groom, while ushers were Leroy Kappenstein, Robert Kappenstein, Gerald Kappenstein, Donald Schaffer and Michael Jackley.

The couple is residing at the home of the bridegroom.

Engaged



Annual Christmas Dance Staged by YWCA Attended by Many High School Students

Jive Junction was alive last night with approximately 250 boys and girls dancing to the music furnished by George Welsh and his orchestra through the courtesy of Local 211, American Federation of Musicians (AFL) at the YWCA annual Christmas dance.

The room at the YWCA building was decorated with green and red streamers, and a silver Christmas tree stood in a corner. Rodney Custer and Bob Marquet were in charge of the decorations.

The dancers were from the Pottstown Junior and Senior High schools, West Pottsgrove and North Coventry High schools.

Refreshments were provided by the Kiwanis club.

Attending as chaperones were Mr. Francis Donnon, recreation director of the YMCA; Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Burdian, Mrs. Waverly Kiehl, Mrs. Alex V. Tisdale and Mrs. William Eagle.

Among the dancers were Ronald Leaman, Jose Spivack, David Prince, George Welsh, Ronald Varady, Harry Burdian, Louis Varady, John Kienle, Louise Keene, Marie Langston, Lynda Dannehower, Marjorie Taylor, Bernice Ondis, Marilyn Keffler, Joyce Romig, Patsy Rose, Arlene Cummings, Emily Fizz, Ray Riddell, Dave Miller, Marvin Davidek and Andy Kriczy.

June Dindino, Evelyn Stigura, Jeanette Smith, Dorothea Boston, Patsy Daniels, Berni Hudock, Meri Mastrotta, Dottie Matthews, Jayne Adams, Dolores Mauger, A. Impink, Jean Oxenford, Barbara Weikel, Joan Smith, Betty Sidun, Bill Glenney, Jane Evans, Louise Shanner, Alice Brownback, Michael Wielgus, Dave Miller, Dave Bleacher, Nancy Lindauer, Marty Lou Smale, Ginny Diener, Janet Monaghan, Irene Core, Richard Sell, Janet Stofko, Mary Rubert, Pollie Westfall, Lane Henshey, Ede Stepp, Donald Frain, Arlene Mensch, Joan Painter, Pete Lenhart, Mary Huff, Barbara Sayor, Marion Zueno, Sonia Cimbalista, Hildegard Zirkel, Marcia Kellner, Bernice Shaw, Nancy Overholt, Joan Fox, Betty Moltress, Alice Shaner, Jean Frederick, Virginia Lukens, Mary Heimbach, Mildred Barton, Eleanor Ingham, Shirley Weikel, Gertrude Ingel, Nannette DeLong, Harold Begel, Irvin Swavely, Edward Schumacher, John E. Wilson, Richard Weand and Nancy Werner.

Also Joan Becker, Lillian Bacchi, Joan Bonner, Shirley Bising, Patricia Becker, Mae Fox, Barbara Diener, Joanne Applegate, Doris Sowers, Patty Gibbons, Barbara Lynch, Marian Jones, Esther Marian, Kathryn Zeigler, Gloria Dower, Carl Pence, Bob Sheperak, Betty Gable, Paul Duttenhorf, Plato Brown, Mike Pasavage, Bob Mallison, Charles Schulz, Paul Dallas, Richard Weiser, Jim McDevitt, Mac Stone, Bayard Buchanan, Ray Miller, Robert Mauger, William Sell and Charles Arters.

Vary the color in menu-making—several colors which harmonize give a more attractive course than too much repetition of color.

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Two Twin-Borough Churches Schedule Watch-Night Services to Greet New Year

Three Organizations Plan Gala Parties To Begin New Year

Baby 1948 bids to be ushered in amid wild acclaim, in the form of New Year's eve parties, and revelry for the fun of members and guests of at least three Twin-Borough organizations. The fun will start in each instance at 10 o'clock tonight and extend into the New Year.

The celebration at Spring-Ford Country club will include dancing, followed by a New Year's breakfast, early in 1948. Upwards of 250 members and guests are expected to attend the gala affair. Music will be provided by the Merry Makers.

The event is in charge of Miss Margaret Crothers, chairman of the women's committee. Others on the committee of arrangements are Mrs. R. W. Breidenbach, Mrs. David Groff, Mrs. Charles Rimmel, Mrs. George Steiner, Mrs. William Strunk, Mrs. Dorothy Edwards, Mrs. E. Earl Nelson, Mrs. W. Paul Youngblud Sr., Mrs. Edward Dames, Mrs. Adam Saylor, Mrs. Carl Espenship and Mrs. William Russell.

An exceptional program also has been arranged for Liberty Fire company, starting at 10 p. m. It was reported all reservations have been taken. The celebration will include a floor show by Philadelphia talent, dancing and a turkey supper.

The American-Italian Bocce club, Royersford, will ring out the old and usher in the new with a floor show, dancing and buffet luncheon, beginning at 10 o'clock tonight. The floor show, comprising Philadelphia entertainers is scheduled for 10:30 o'clock. Members of the committee in charge include Arthur Hodge, chairman; H. Haines, P. Rooney, Harold Smoyer and John Sweeney, club president.

Woman Recovering From Painful Burns

Mrs. Roy Gumpert, 159 Walnut street, Spring City, was recovering yesterday from burns she received Monday when a double boiler she was using exploded.

The explosion occurred as Mrs. Gumpert was cooking frosting for her mother's birthday cake. While heating the frosting in the pot, she apparently held the two sections too firmly together.

Steam, gathering in the lower section, blasted the two pots apart, hurling the frosting over the ceiling and walls and splattering Mrs. Gumpert with hot water.

She was treated at home by Dr. Joseph D. Ross, Spring City physician, for first degree burns of the face, shoulders and arms.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Dorothy DePaoli, 545 Main street, Royersford, announced the engagement of her daughter, Beatrice Virginia Snyder, to Robert Drendall, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Drendall, 338 King street, Pottstown.

Twin Boro Classified

Deaths 1
STOUT—In Phoenixville Hospital, on Saturday, Dec. 27, 1947, Lillian Irene Stout, wife of William Stout, aged 42 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services at the Nelson Funeral Home, 321 New St., Spring City, on Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1948, at 2 p. m. Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday evening 7 to 9.

Card of Thanks 2
GERHARDT

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their assistance and sympathetic floral tributes and of cars offered during our recent bereavement, for Mrs. Leanna Y. Gerhardt. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Funk.

KULP

The family of the late William F. Kulp desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assurance and sympathy and use of cars offered during their recent bereavement.

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4. Indian Sport Scout, Al cond. May be seen at Gole's garage, 2d avenue Royersford. Guaranteed.

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Articles for Sale 46

E flat alto saxophone, Beuscher make, silver, ex. condition, \$50. 10 4th Ave., Royersford. Phone 470.

Wanted to Buy 51

Furniture, Carpets and Stoves, bought and exchanged. J. Siegel Sons, 29 Phoenixville 3325, 125 Bridge St.

Wanted—Rooms or Board 55

Men desired room and board, preferably Riverford. Write Box J-37, c/o Mercury, Royersford.

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Rotary Yule Party

Spring City-Royersford Rotary club gave a big Christmas party Monday night. The affair was held at Spring-Ford Country club as the first Yule feie for kiddies and Rotarians. Upwards of 100 were present.

A full-course turkey dinner preceded a well-rounded program in charge of Rotarian Arthur Hahnel, chairman. The group sang carols led by the Rev. Joseph L. Schantz, a member of the club, after which three reels of motion pictures were shown. The Rev. G. H. Seidel, pastor of Royersford Trinity Evangelical Congregational church, presented feasts of magic, after which Santa Claus entered and distributed a gift to each kiddie and each Rotarian. The presents included a pot of poinsettias to each of the 100. LeRoy Miller played piano accompaniment during the meal and program. Appropriate decorations were arranged on the tables.

Air Search Continues

For Five in Alaska

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Dec. 30 (AP)—Two of the six known survivors of the Air Force B29 which crashed on bleak, ice-bound Seward peninsula in northwestern Alaska were brought to an Army hospital here today as a curtain of silence fell over the isolated area where five men are being sought.

Clear, sub-zero weather was reported over the region north of Nome where aerial and dog team searchers were trying to determine the fate of two members of the B29 crew, who set out in the bitter cold for help Christmas Day and a three-man rescue team that parachuted into the area.

Telephonic communications with the Nome air base were cut off during the day and Ladd Field, from which the B29 took off on its ill-fated long range navigation training flight, reported it had no information on today's search.

Sunday, the Gospel Messengers, of Houghton College, Houghton, N. Y., will present programs in both churches. The first service will be in the Spring City church at 10:30 a. m.

A rally will be held in the Royersford church at 2:30 p. m. The evening service will start at 7:15 o'clock. The Gospel Messengers are a group of six students from the college, whose program includes selections on the piano, trombone and trumpet, together with vocal solos and a girls' trio.

Two Persons Honored At Birthday Dinner

Mrs. Wilmer Quigg, 210 Main street, Royersford, entertained at dinner at her home yesterday in honor of the birthday anniversaries of Dora Brunner, Dec. 28, and Margaret Yost, Dec. 27. A large birthday cake formed the table centerpiece. Guests were Mrs. Betty Weikel, Mrs. Mabel McCann, Mrs. Thelma Shaner, Misses Grace Cook, Bobbie Gauger and Doris Nyce.

Stove Company Plant Is Damaged by Fire

The Minute Men apparatus of Royersford Friendship Fire company responded to a still alarm yesterday morning at the plant of the Reyburn Manufacturing company, the former enamelware plant of Buckwalter Stove company. It was reported several rolls of crepe paper became ignited by sparks from an acetylene torch, touching off the automatic water sprinkler system which with hand extinguishers, had the fire under control when the firemen arrived. Damage from water and fire caused damage estimated at \$1000.

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Weather Bureau Retracts Prediction for Snow

RIDGEWOOD

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—The weather bureau tonight revised an earlier prediction of additional snow tomorrow, saying it saw no possibility of more snow immediately. City hurried efforts to get streets clear of the past Friday's record fall.

The earlier threat of additional snow brought police orders to clear streets of all non-essential traffic as the largest snow removal army in New York's history continued to shovel away at the 25.8-inch avalanche of Friday.

Police Commissioner Arthur W. Wallander issued the traffic orders

after Mayor William O'Dwyer had inspected much of Manhattan.

ASSEMBLYMAN RESIGNS

YORK, Dec. 30 (AP)—Felix S. Borrelli today announced his resignation as state assemblyman elected Jan. 5 when he is to be inaugurated as York's mayor succeeding John L. Snyder.

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Undefeated SMU, Penn State Clash in Cotton Bowl



Two of the nation's strongest football eleves this past season, undefeated Penn State and undefeated but once-tied Southern Methodist, collide in the Cotton Bowl game at Dallas, Tex., New Year's Day

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Kauler to Carry 15 Players On Golden Cub Cage Squad

"I don't expect them to be world-beaters in the beginning, but I do expect them to improve as the season moves along, especially after they have a few games under their belts," commented Coach Gene Kauler last night in an interview concerning his Golden Cubs of Pottstown Junior High school.

"They are a good bunch of kids and work hard and are willing to learn," the Golden Cub mentor went on to say after watching his charges go through practice on the Pottstown Junior High court. The Cubs are in their sixth week of practice, and will open their season Jan. 9 against Stewart Junior High at Norristown.

Kauler, who carried a large squad of 35 boys during football season, is planning to carry a large basketball team as well. The Golden Cub mentor revealed last night that his varsity squad will consist of 15 players of whom five are letter men.

Kauler, starting his first year of basketball coaching at Pottstown Junior High, is teaching the Cubs a new offensive attack, and he said it will be sometime before the boys can really perfect the offense. The new coach wouldn't give any hints as to his starting team, but as things look now, the five lettermen may be on the floor when the season opens against Stewart.

The lettermen back from the past year are Andy Kriczky, Sam Green, Tom Pollick, Dick Ricketts and Paul Duttenhofer. Other players on the squad are Lou Iezzi, Vince Rettew, Paul Fizz, Jim Hallman, Dick Ichach, Steve Chapman, Jim Medeja, Dave Ricketts and Pete Stesie.

The Golden Cubs have been scrimmaging with the Pottstown High junior varsity for the past few weeks, and Kauler said the Cubs are beginning to work as a unit.

Kauler said he will not change the defense pattern used by the Cubs. For years, the Cubs have been playing man-for-man, and they will continue to use that defense this year. Kauler did say, however, that the Cubs may use a little zone if necessary.

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Lou Gambino, Maryland back, outstanding collegiate player in the Washington area.

Sammy Bauch, Washington Redskins, outstanding professional.

A strong Amity Athletic club team eked out a close 37-36 victory over Amity High's varsity cagers last night in an exhibition game played on the Amity High court.

The Amity High five ran wild in the first half and grabbed a comfortable 18-11 advantage at intermission. In the third period, however, the Amity AC cagers pulled away and enjoyed a 27-23 lead as the fourth period opened. The high school basketeers tried to forge into the lead in the final eight minutes, but the athletic club halted a late rally to stay ahead.

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Steelers Trade Layne To Bears, Get Evans

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 30 (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers announced today that they had traded Bobby Layne, Texas star and their first choice in the 1947 National Football League draft, to the Chicago Bears for Ray Evans, All-America back from the University of Kansas.

Art Rooney, president of the Steelers, said that Evans had not yet been signed. The 24-year-old, 191-pound triple threat, now is in Florida where Kansas meets Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl New Year's Day. The Steelers probably must meet competition from the All-America conference for his services.

The deal confirms reports that the Steelers sought to trade off Layne. The Pittsburgh club was among those which kept silent on their choices in the recent draft meeting here but Layne generally was established as their top choice. The decision to trade him was made after the Steelers learned that Layne, third team All-America, preferred to play with a club using the "T" system.

Evans, a Kansas City boy, was the Bears top choice in 1943. He played at Kansas in 1941 and 1942 and returned there in 1946 after war service.

C. Lawrence Walsh Named New President of the PIAA

HARRISBURG, Dec. 30 (AP) — C. Lawrence Walsh, director of boys physical education in Pittsburgh was named today as president of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, the agency that directs school - boy athletics throughout the commonwealth.

Walsh, who served for the past seven years as vice-president, moved up to succeed R. B. Stapleton, principal of Tamaqua High school, who resigned the past month to devote all of his time to directing the activities of Tamaqua's rapidly growing school.

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Boyertown Takes Christmas Tourney

Offensive Statistics Reveal Michigan Should Win Over Southern Cal by 17 Points

NEW YORK, Dec. 30 (AP) — Michigan will beat Southern California by 17 points, Texas will outrun Alabama and Mississippi will throw at least 25 passes against Texas Christians in New Year's Day football games if the teams maintain the averages they compiled during the 1947 season.

Relative statistics mean about as much as the color of the players' jerseys but those who are interested in figures—the kind from one of the many football statistics books—can get a good idea of the various bowl opponents from the records that earned them their invitations.

These records, presented by the National Collegiate Athletic Bureau, indicate that the outcome of the seven biggest post-season classics will be precisely as follows:

Michigan over Southern California in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif.

Texas over Alabama in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans, La.

Penn State over Southern Methodist in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, Tex.

Kansas over Georgia Tech in the Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla.

Mississippi over Texas Christian in the Delta Bowl at Memphis, Tenn.

Georgia over Maryland in the Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla.

William and Mary over Arkansas in the Dixie Bowl at Birmingham, Ala.

Since each team's performance was recorded against different opposition, generally from widely separated sectors, the bureau's helpful hints are not recommended for those who prefer to back their hunches with cash.

His surprising hard luck sharply contrasts with the rise to fame of such Pittsburgh area contemporaries as Fritzie Zivic, Sammy Angot and Billy Conn.

Burley is married and has two children. He admits to 11 years of fighting and 30 years of life. Rangeworms here insist he's been at both longer.

His record has been distinguished principally by the facts that as a pro he's been rated at or near the top of the welterweight and middleweight divisions every year and with the same consistency has been snubbed by the top drawer cauliflower set.

Burley can't remember the exact date of his last bout but when he was hoping to get into the championship fight he tried everything from welter to heavies for size. He still weighs only 156. He's never been knocked out and defeats are few and far between on his long record.

A parade of managers — Lew Burton of New York now holds his contract — couldn't beat Fustina's cold shoulder any better than Burley.

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Michigan's ground attack accounted for 2388 yards per game, an average of 5.01 yards on each running play, while Southern Cal averaged 178.6 yards per game on the ground and 3.87 per rush.

Texas and Alabama played ten games each. Texas scored 265 points, registered 149 first downs and averaged 324.3 yards per game. 210.7 of them on the ground. Alabama, with 203 points and 121 first downs, averaged 259.3 yards per game, including 194.8 by rushing.

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ON THE AIR WEDNESDAY

MORNING

Hour	KYW	WCAU	WFIL	WIP
6:00	Morning Salute; R. D. 1050	Jamboree; Rural Digest; Amos 'n' Andy	Songs of Plains; Jack Day Shows; Farmers' Market; Zeke Maenner	Dawn Patrol; News; Music; Dawn Patrol
6:15	News	Jamboree	News	News
6:30	Music Clock	Rural Digest	Zeke Maenner	News
6:45	Music Clock	Amos 'n' Andy	News	News
7:00	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
7:15	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
7:30	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
7:45	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
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8:15	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
8:30	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
8:45	Music Clock	Music	LeRoy Miller	Mac McGuire
9:00	Ruth Welles	Winner Take All	Morning Extra	News
9:15	Clevelanders	At Home with the Gathers	Breakfast Club	Mac McGuire
9:30	Morning Varieties	Let's Have Fun	My True Story	News
9:45	Fred Waring	Gladys Webster	True Story	Mac McGuire
10:00	Road of Life	David Barum	True Story	News
10:15	George Jordan	Breakfast in Hollywood	True Story	Mac McGuire
10:30	Nora Drake	Galen Drake	True Story	News
10:45	Katle's Daught	Ted Malone	True Story	Mac McGuire
11:00	Jack Berch	Heart's Desire	True Story	News
11:15	Rosemary Stewart	Heart's Desire	True Story	Mac McGuire
11:30	Heart's Desire	Heart's Desire	True Story	News

AFTERNOON

Hour	KYW	WCAU	WFIL	WIP
12:00	Gabe Miller and Luncheaters	Welcome	Kate Smith	Eric H. Lindlahr
12:15	Aunt Jenny	Travelers	Music	News
12:30	Our Gal Sunday	Sleepy Hollow	Harmony	News
12:45	News: Folkson's	Mill Spooner	Tax Beneke	News
1:00	Melody Magic	Big Sister	Little Show	News
1:15	Varieties	Music	Music	News
1:30	Musical Variety	David Malone	Music	News
1:45	Today's Children	Guiding Light	Music	News
2:00	Woman's White	Ed Mrs. Burton	Music	News
2:15	How to Make	Perry Mason	Music	News
2:30	Teach a Child	Spotlight Show	Rose of Dreams	Music
2:45	Life Beautiful	Double or Nothing	Music	News
3:00	Mia Perkins	House Party	Music	News
3:15	Pepper Young	Music	Music	News
3:30	It to Happiness	Music	Music	News
4:00	Backstage Wife	Music	Music	News
4:15	Stella Dallas	Music	Music	News
4:30	Widder Brown	Music	Music	News
4:45	Girl Marries	Portia Blake	Music	News
5:00	Just Plain Bill	Blue Music	Music	News
5:15	David Farrall	Lum 'n Abner	Music	News

EVENING

Hour	KYW	WCAU	WFIL	WIP
6:00	News: Talk	J. Reeves, new Sports: Weather	Magic Lady	6 P. M. Extra
6:15	H. Robert, Sports	Peter Donald	Bing Crosby	Johnson, Family
6:30	Bob Elson	Lowell Thomas	Moorehead	Sports: News
6:45	Three Star Extra	Mystery of the Show	Black orch.	Uncle Wip
7:00	Supper Club	J. Smith Show	Melody	Unseen Advisor
7:15	News: Hollywood	J. Club 15	Flyin' News	News
7:30	Theatre	Ed R. Murrow	Paul Lone Ranger	Music
7:45	Dennis Day	American	Cowboy Drama	Music
8:00	Great Gideons	Melody Hour	Inside Sports	Music
8:15	Duffy's Tavern	Dr. Christian	Music	Music
8:30	Duffy's Tavern	News (8:35)	Cinderella	Music
8:45	Mr. District Attorney	Edw. R. Murrow	Sweeney and March	Music
9:00	The Big Story	The Whistler	Blind Crosby	Music
9:15	Jimmy Durante	Symphonette	Tony Martin	Music
9:30	News: Radio	News Analysis	11 O'clock News	Music
9:45	Night Club	Powers Gouraud	Sugar Bowl	Music
10:00	Milt Meyers	New Year's Eve	Express	Music
10:15	Just Plain Bill	Dance Party	Bandwagon	Music
10:30	News: Anthony	Utah Symphony	Sports and News	Music

ZIEGLERVILLE

Miss May Markley, corr. Phone 2071. Warren Kratz, delivery.

Miss Louise Landes of Des Moines, Iowa, is spending the holidays with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Luyken and family.

Miss Mary Strang, a student at Gilford College, N. C., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fowler Strang.

A daughter, Linda Lou, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Gauger on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Knerr and daughter, Carol Ann, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Keyes and family of Rahns.

Mr. and Mrs. Hirano Bean entertained Wilson Metz of Creamery, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brown and family of Highland Terrace, on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bean spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Boyer and family.

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BALLY

Miss Clara Gehman, corr. Phone 43-8-3. Richard Scheel, delivery.

Mrs. David Mathias, who was admitted to Allentown hospital suffering from spinal meningitis, is improving.

William Kemmerer moved with his family from the A. A. Godshall apartment, Barto Rd., into the apartment of Dr. David Hottenstein, the former James Bowman home.

Elias Kulp is engaged in Winter Bible school at the Millwood church, Atglen.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Reinert, of Seazontville, called on the family of Arland Longacre recently.

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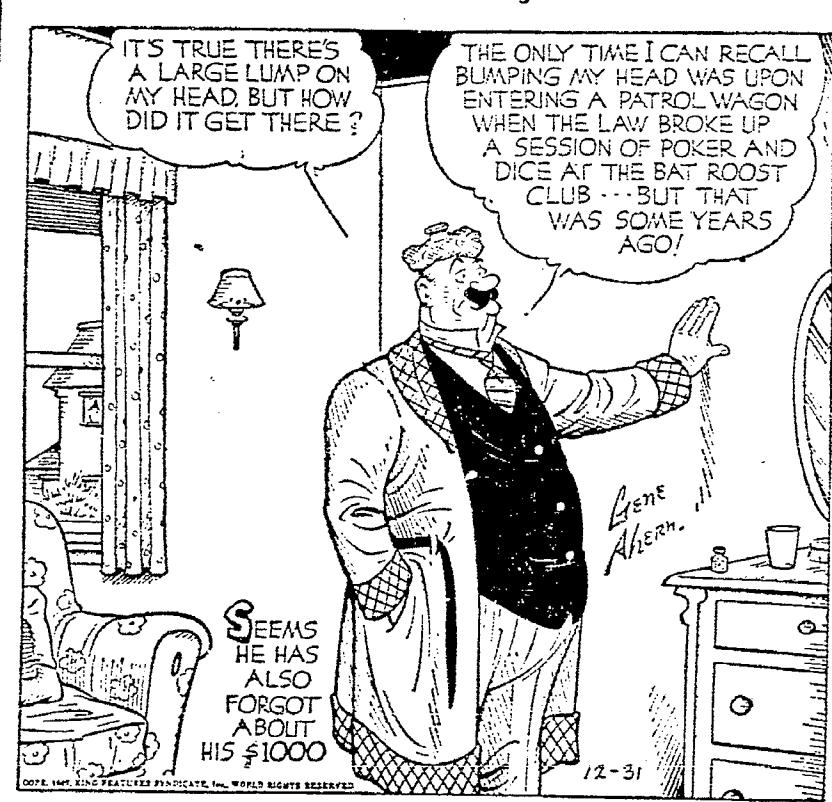
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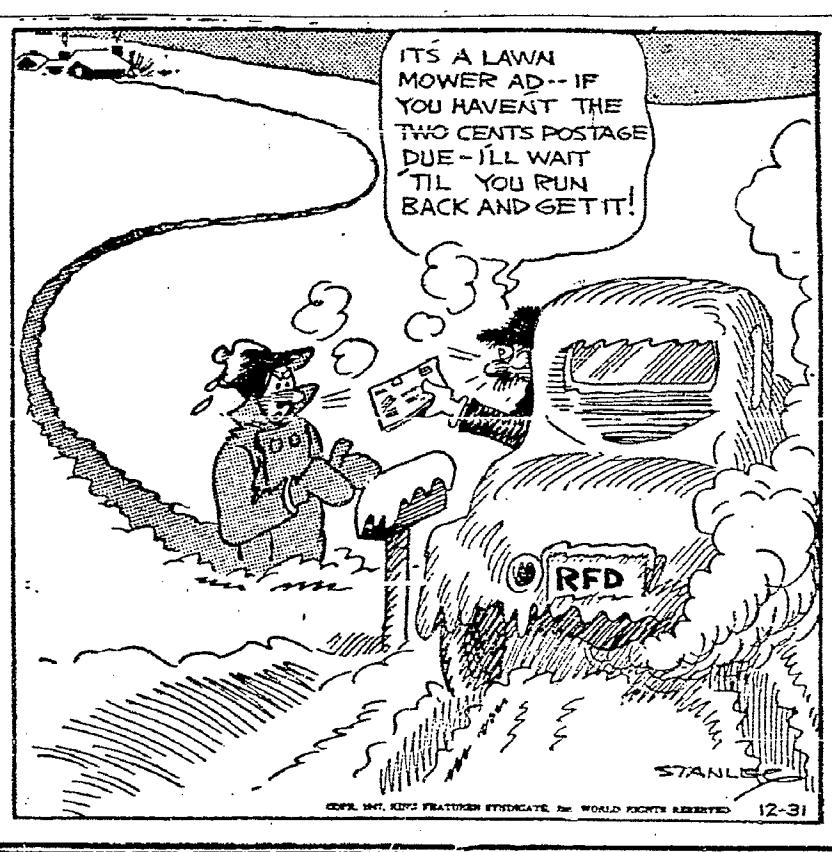
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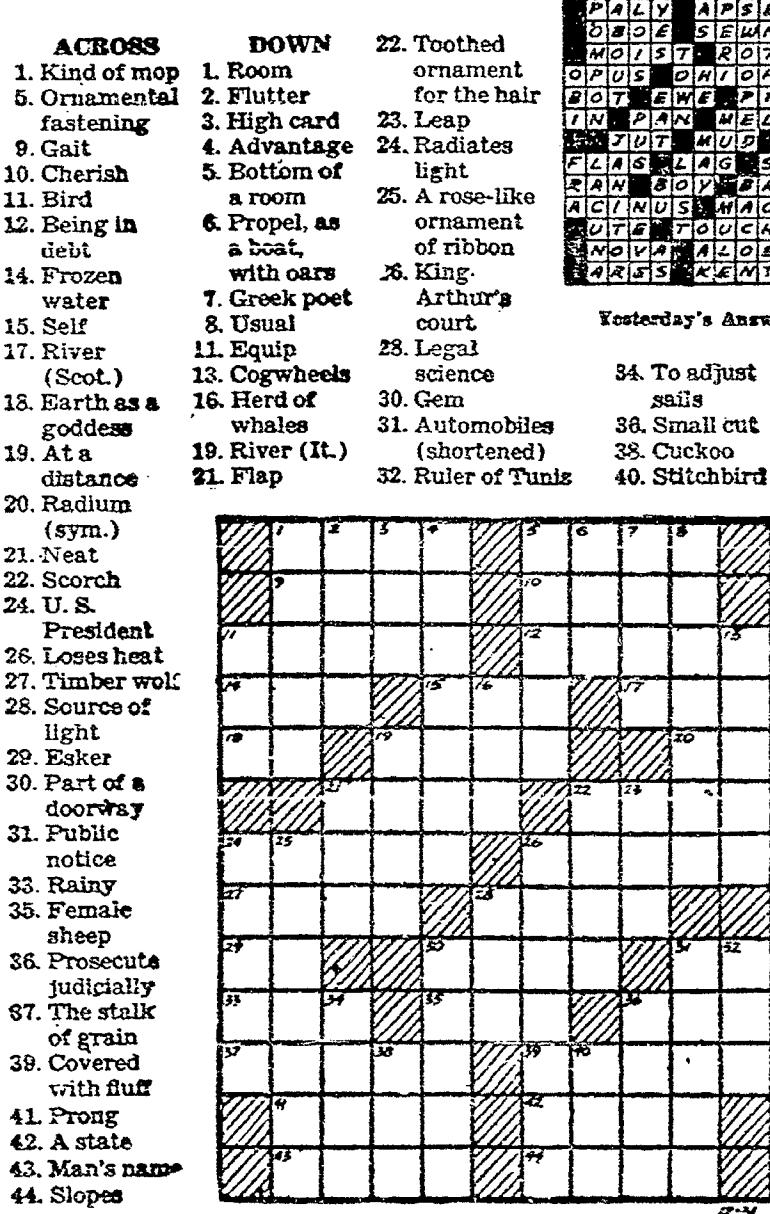
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The Old Home Town by Stanley



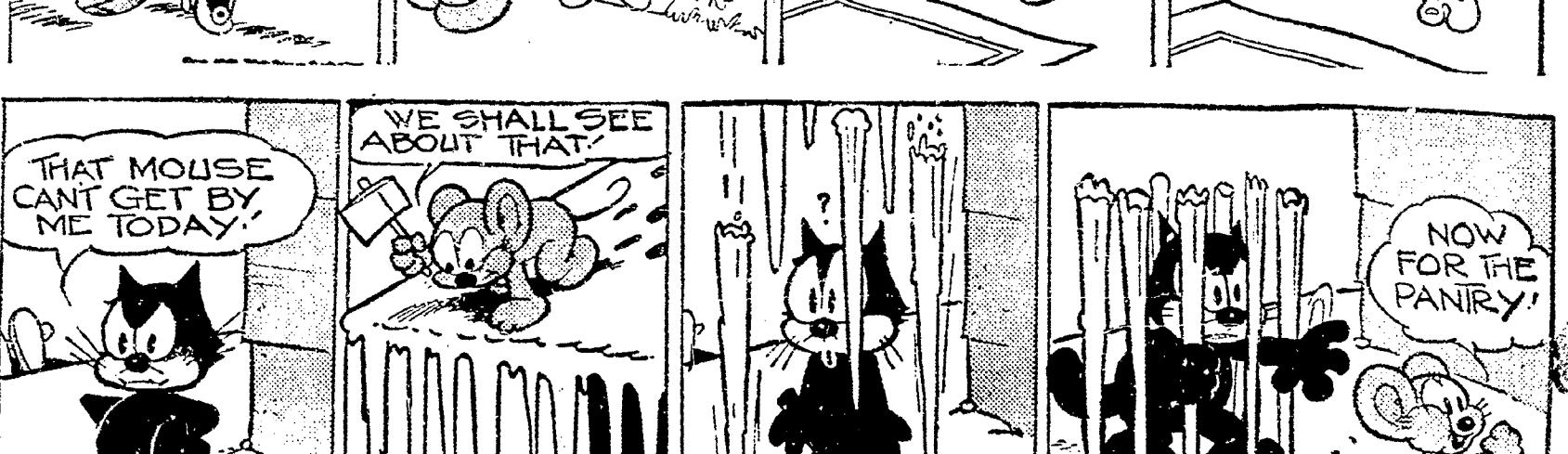
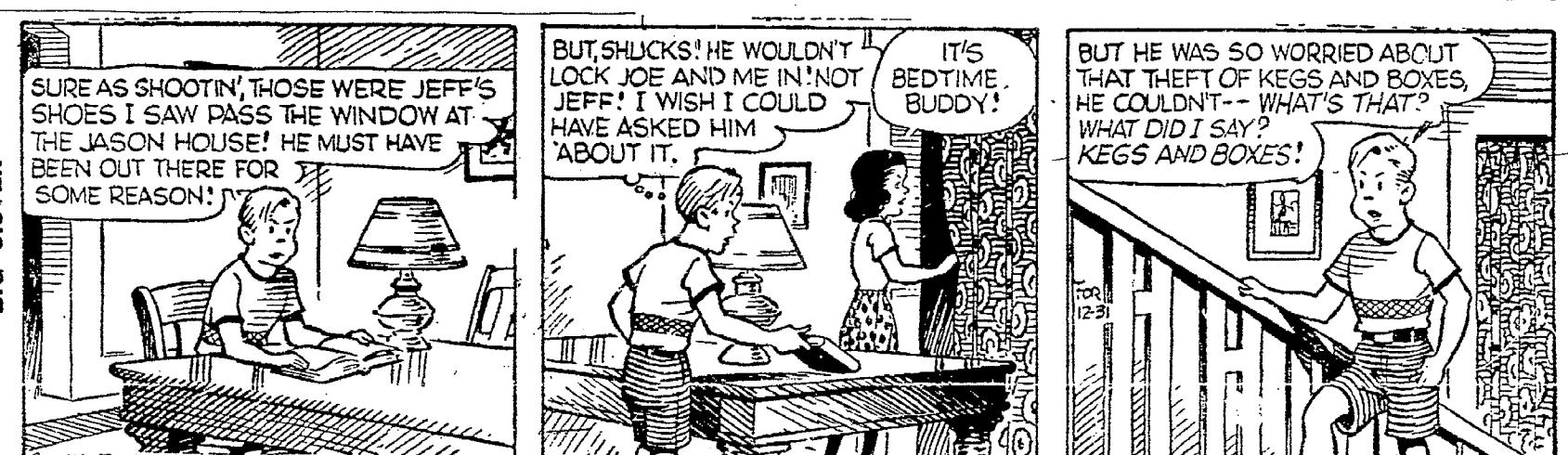
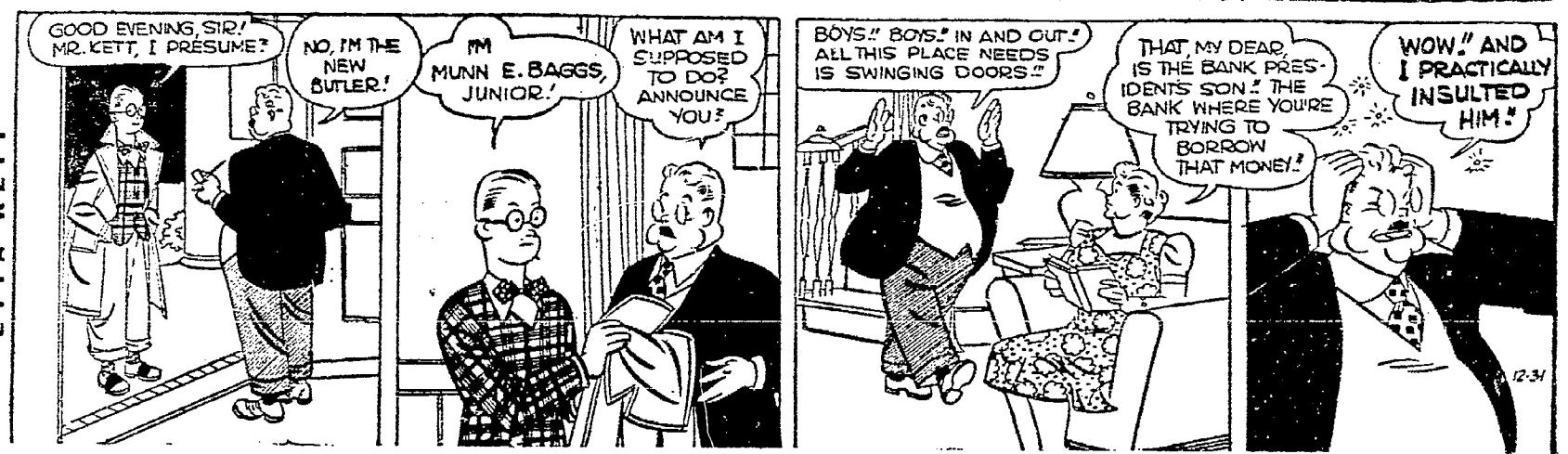
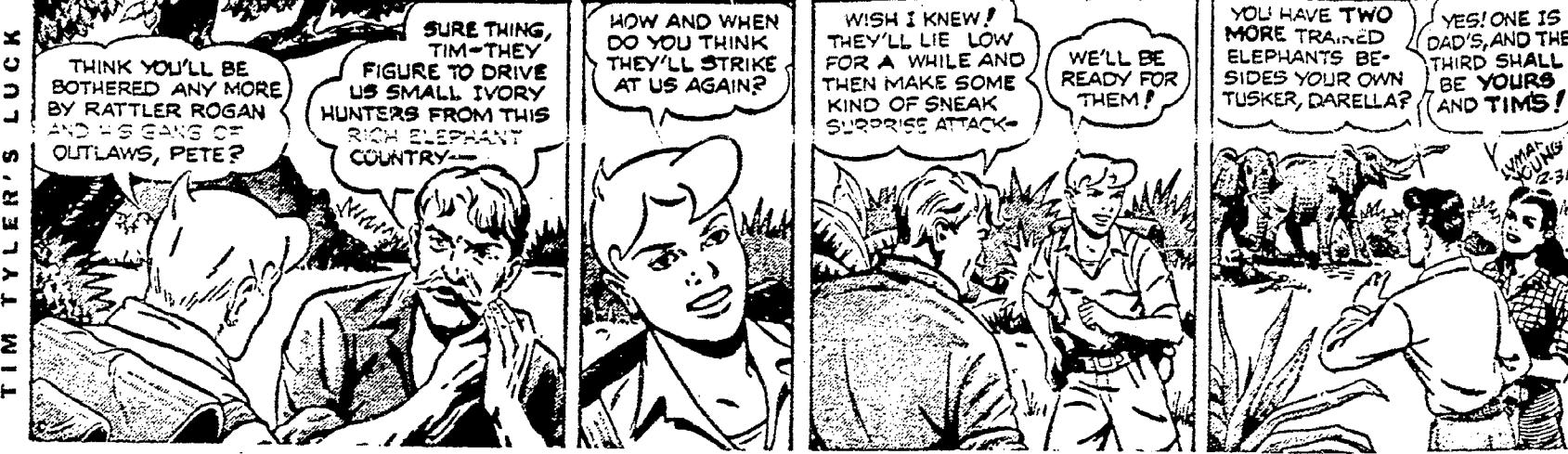
TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle



CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

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Social Activities

BEATRICE FAIRFAX'S

Advice to the Lovelorn Problem of Finding Girl Friends

A YOUNG man who writes me that he rarely reads this column but was interested in a letter recently printed which described the plight of another chap who found it hard to make friends among the girls, tells me he is in the same situation and wants to be told "step by step" how to approach the problem of finding a girl friend.

He thinks that modern girls are not interested in going out with any young man who is not handsome, who has not plenty of money, and, most of all, who has no car.

Whether or not he has had unfortunate experiences which have given him this belief, he doesn't say. It sounds, however, as though something disillusioning must have happened to him, because he declares that he has "practically lost all faith in girls." He seems, moreover, to have given up trying to find congenial feminine companions, for he says his evenings are spent either working on his hobby of photography, going alone to the movies, or attending sports events with another man.

"Life is sure pretty boring!" he says. "Everything else has failed, so writing to you is my one and only hope."

Now I am too far away from the town in which this young man lives to be able to tell him exactly where to look for the nice girls he would like to know. But I am sure he could find out himself, if he took the trouble to analyze his surroundings.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin E. David-son, of Buffalo, N. Y., visited Mr. and Mrs. John K. Binder, of Douglassville, over the holiday.

Cadet John E. Wilson, of Franklin, is visiting Cadet Edward Schumacher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schumacher, of 173 North Hanover streets. Both cadets are attending Carson-Long Institute, New Bloomfield.

Mrs. George Lohr, of West Main street, South Pottstown, is visiting relatives in Shamokin.

Mr. and Mrs. Set Frederickson, of Asbury Park, N. J., were the recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Mentzer, 309 King street. Mrs. Frederickson is the former Miss Isabelle Mentzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mentzer.

Home for the holiday was Cadet George Mentzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Mentzer, of 309 King street. Cadet Mentzer is studying at Augusta Military academy, Augusta, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Bachman and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Batten, of 24 King street, entertained Mrs. Ellen Tate, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harvey, Jesselyn Harvey and Betty Jane McGowan, of Cuba, Ala., over the weekend.

Milton Sofano, of 482 High street, and Charles Nichols, of Stow, left yesterday for St. Petersburg, Fla., for several months.

Mr. Harry W. Blackwell Jr., stationed at Chanute Field, Ill., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Blackwell Sr., of 621 North Evans street. Also visiting the Blackwell home is a niece, Miss Katherine Blackwell of Baltimore, Md.

Miss Janet Allison, a student at Pembroke college, Providence, R. I., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Allison, 239 Lee avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Snyder and sons, Bobo and Danny, of Walton, Ind., are visiting Mrs. Snyder's mother, Mrs. Earl A. Lord, of Hanover Heights, South Pottstown.

Mrs. Victor Fisher, of Goldsboro, N. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jeanette Bonner, of 1110 North Charlotte street, and her grandaughter, Mrs. W. A. Lewis, of 304 Jefferson avenue.

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Betrothals Revealed



Engagement of Miss Stella Kuspls (left), of 1 West Fourth street, to Michael Budich, of 70 Pottstown Landing, and Miss Dorothy Marie Bartchak, of 1049 Queen street, to Mr. Galen C. Royer, of 428 King street, were announced over the holiday.

Former Pottstown Woman Holds Dinner for Family

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Wentz, of Whitemarsh, formerly of Pottstown, entertained at a family turkey dinner Sunday in their home.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Witman, of Morrisville; Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Witman, of Reading; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nyman and daughter, Joan Elliott, and Nancy Lou and Virginia Ann Wentz.

Evelyn D. Naigle Engaged to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Naigle, of Boyertown RD 1, announce the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn Dorothy, to Mr. James S. Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Bradley, Boyertown RD 1.

No wedding date has been announced.

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Mr. Michael Gubick, of Walnut street, is visiting his sister, Mrs. A. J. Radwillas, of Scranton.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Today
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Petro, of 626 Beech street, three years.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Feight, of 350 Lincoln avenue, 15 years.

Girl Friends Announce Engagements Together

Two girl friends from Pleasant Run revealed their engagements on Christmas day.

Anne Septon, daughter of Mrs. Rose Septon, became engaged to Mr. Joseph Parets, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parets, of Barto, and Stella Piechota, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Piechota, became engaged to Mr. Frank Sierzega, son of Mrs. Mary Sierzega, of Phoenixville.

No wedding dates have been set by the couples.

Croutons are prepared by toasting small cubes of bread in a moderate oven, or by sauteing them in a butter or fortified margarine in a skillet.

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Higher Pension Day

Sought by PSEA for Retired Teachers

HARRISBURG, Dec. 30 (AP)—The Pennsylvania State Education association today made better pensions for retired public school teachers its "No. 1 objective" at the next session of the State's general assembly.

"The time has come when there must be no more trifling with the needs of teachers who have given long and faithful service," declared Paul F. Christman of Schuylkill Haven, chairman of the organization's legislative committee.

"There are teachers who have slaved for thirty or forty years at minimum wage, and a teacher who now retires on monthly payments that are actually less than many people receive on public assistance. That thing cries for correction by the 1949 general assembly," he added.

N. Eugene Shoemaker, Red Lion High school teacher, was elected 26th president of the PSEA over three other classroom teachers in balloting which continued throughout the day. Shoemaker will take office tomorrow with retiring president, Dr. Fred Hosler, of Allentown, becoming first vice president.

The organization's house of delegates, holding its 1947 convention, also called for continued efforts to increase the mandated salary level for teachers but rejected a proposal that it sponsor legislation to require all new teachers to serve a year's practice internship and pass State board examinations similar to those given physicians and lawyers.

Albert Murphy, Scranton teacher, presented a plan for the internship and examination and said it was designed to strengthen the standards of the teaching profession.

Other delegates protested from the floor that the proposal would return conditions to those of a score of years ago when applicants for teaching jobs were required to pass examinations given by State normal schools and Murphy's motion was beaten on a standing vote.

A flurry also developed over a move by Herbert P. Lauterbach of Aliquippa to defeat a resolution calling for recruitment of potential teachers among high school students.

The economy of scarcity is operating to our distinct advantage at present and I am not at all sure widespread recruitment would," Lauterbach asserted.

His motion was voted down, however, when other delegates said teachers in classrooms are in the best position to help "get our best boys and girls" in the teaching profession.

The association in another action deleted with only a few dissenting votes any reference to the controversial 1947 teacher-pay law from a resolution commanding Gov-

The feast commemorates the subjection of the child Jesus to this rite of admission to the Covenant of God with Abraham. It was an ancient rite marked with the bestowal of name, godparents and formulas of prayer.

Masses at St. Alloysius Church will be held at 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 o'clock, while Masses at St. Peter's Church will be at 7:30 and 9 o'clock.

Holy Trinity Church will have Masses at 8:15 and 10:30 o'clock.

Participants in the play and other Christmas exercises were Joyce Sennhert, Richard Klein, William Hampton, Sara Lash, William Boyer, George Latch, Richard Moyer, William McCruden, Jacob Klein, Mrs. Lester Yocom, Mrs. Lester Yocom and Dorothy Sennhert.

The choir, with Albert Metcalf directing and Mrs. William Boyer at the organ, sang Christmas numbers. The committee which planned the program included Mrs. George Yocom, Mrs. Lester Yocom and Dorothy Sennhert.

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King Quits Throne—May Marry



King Michael of Romania (above) abdicated his throne yesterday and the Communist-dominated government quickly proclaimed a republic. Reports say the young monarch will marry Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parme. The abdication proclamation said he was quitting the throne because a monarchy no longer fitted in with political, economic and social changes in the country.

HOPE DIAMOND APPRAISED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The 44½ carat Hope diamond, one of the world's most famous jewels, was valued at \$176,920 today in an executor's appraisal of the estate of Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean.

RELIEF AGREEMENTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—The State department hopes to sign agreements with Italy, France and Austria within the next few days specifying how \$522,000,000 in relief funds are to be used. Under-secretary Robert Lovett said today.

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EASTON, Dec. 30 (AP)—Appointment of MacDonald Heebner Jr. of State college, as boys' secretary was announced today by the Easton YMCA.

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